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New substitute name for the genus *Poliocoris* Slater, 1994 (Hemiptera, Heteroptera, Rhyparochromidae)

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Abstract

Neopoliocoris **nom. n.**, a new substitute name is proposed for *Poliocoris* Slater, 1994 (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Rhyparochromidae), preoccupied by *Poliocoris* Kirkaldy, 1910 (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Pentatomidae). A new combination, *Neopoliocoris umbrosus* (Slater, 1994), **comb. n.** is proposed for *Poliocoris umbrosus* Slater, 1994.

Keywords

Hemiptera, Heteroptera, bugs, homonym, replacement name

Introduction

The purpose of the present paper is to provide a new substitute name for a preoccupied Rhyparochromid name in accordance with the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (1999). The bug genus *Poliocoris* of the family Rhyparochromidae (Hemiptera: Heteroptera) was established by Slater (1994) for the species *Poliocoris umbrosus* Slater, 1994 from South Africa. We have discovered that the genus name *Poliocoris* is preoccupied and was initially introduced by Kirkaldy (1910) for a stink bug genus of the family Pentatomidae (Hemiptera: Heteroptera), with *Poliocoris amnesis*

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Kirkaldy, 1910 as its type species from the USA (Florissant). According to Article 60 of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature, we propose the new substitute name *Neopoliocoris* **nom. n.** for *Poliocoris* Slater, 1994. The resulting nomenclatural changes are summarized below.

Nomenclatural changes

Genus *Neopoliocoris* nom. n.

Poliocoris Slater 1994: 120 (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Rhyparochromidae). Preoccupied by *Poliocoris* Kirkaldy 1910: 130 (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Pentatomidae).

Type species. *Poliocoris umbrosus* Slater, 1994.

Distribution. South Africa.

Etymology. From the preexisting name *Poliocoris* and the prefix "Neo-" from the Greek "*neos*", meaning new; gender masculine.

Neopoliocoris umbrosus (Slater, 1994), comb. n.

Poliocoris umbrosus Slater 1994: 120.

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